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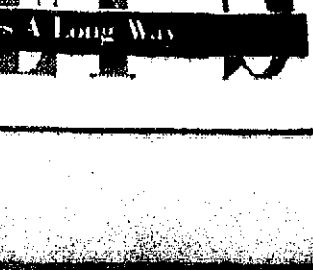
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and the Rev. Griffin.

The audit report noted that the tax receipt to the Texas Union Station trust for \$8,118 was not in Martin's official records, but that the comptroller's office had a photostat of the original obtained from the Kansas City Southern Railway, in Kansas City.

Normally genial except when people are trying to get a hitchhike from his creative lab, Cooper is a short, chubby, friendly man of 48 who specializes in radio drama, an art which

and write the word 'the' on a sheet of paper and the rest would be easy," Cooper smiled. "Benech tried it. He typed out 'the' sat staring at it for two hours. Then he typed 'hell with it' — he got up and left."

have seen him asserted he looked well tanned and rested. (Stalin will be 68 years old Sunday.) He was reported to have spent his vacation on the Black Sea coast at Sochi and other resorts.

drive competition. The parade will not mark the end of the contest as new membership continue to be solicited by the Propellant Club which meets for breakfast each Tuesday.

... said it probably would choose the status of an independent republic country. He discounted the possibility that Jewish Palestine would choose to remain within the British empire.

Soviet troops left Bulgaria and  
12, the spokesman said, adding  
that the last Red army officers  
and men withdrew two days later  
in accordance with Bulgarian  
peace treaty.



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 Sleek rayon satin lavished with delicate lace! Midriff waists, flaring skirts. Pink, blue, opaline. 32-40. **3.98**

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 Oxford felt house slippers with soft sole. **2.15**

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 Warm, wool sheep slippers for him. **2.98**

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 Brown Opera slippers for men. Leather soles. **3.45**

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 Give them a pair of these blue and red trimmed felt house shoes. Soft soles. **4.98**

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 Give them a pair of these blue and red trimmed felt house shoes. Soft soles. **1.35**

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PRICE 50 CENTS

Low Income Tax  
Prepared

**Francis M. Lemay**  
 St. Paul, Dec. 18 — (P)— A  
 1,000 income tax cutting  
 which would strike 7,400,000  
 the young and elderly persons  
 tax rolls was introduced  
 Rep. Knutson (R-Minn).

the 4,000,000 other taxpayers measure referred to by the House as a "veto proof" proposal. Tax reductions ranging from 10 percent in the lowest bracket to 100 percent on higher incomes were proposed. The House Ways and Means Committee chairman, Dan Rostenkowski, said he expects the bill to pass the House in the first major business when it reconvenes in January. Tax reductions would be retroactive to January 1, 1981. The bill would slash tax revenues by \$100,000,000 more than the \$4,000,000 Knutson measure which would be retroactive to Jan. 1, 1980.

increase the present \$500 per exemption to \$800, thus freeing 30,000 low income persons from paying and paying into the tax; and (2) to allow tax deductions for all other tax payers. This would reduce revenue by about \$2,000,000,000. To apply the "community principle" to all states, permit married couples to split jointly income equally for tax purposes in order to take advantage of lower surtax brackets.

his principle now is applicable in a dozen states by local General application would be the treasury about \$600,000. In addition to the \$100 exemption, and "community" split, 10 to 30 per cent reductions as follows: 10 per cent for those with income after deductions and exemptions not exceeding \$1,000. There are 29,200,000 taxpayers in group, 10 to 20 per cent, on a sliding scale for those with taxable in-

between \$1,000 and \$1,399 would affect 14,500,000 per cent for those with an income between \$1,950 and \$2,000 are 9,100,000 such taxpayers

ceptance of an area at the end of Main Street for annexation to the city of Hope was decided at length last night by the council and Albert Graves, attorney for residents of the section. Petition for annexation already had been signed by property owners and approved by the county court. It awaits only council approval. The section is approximately half a mile wide and almost a mile long. Actual approval was delayed because a member of the council

abstain and a full quota is desired when the issue is voted on, expected to be approved unanimously, and acceptance would require hundreds of residents inside corporate limits.

Robert LaGrone, school board president, gave the city a \$14,500 check as payment for money borrowed last year to buy the McMillan property adjoining Hope High School for the district.

Previously the council voted to let the school district \$5,000 a year for 7 years so the district could retire its recent bonding issue.

The figure represents interest on bonds. The council agreed to pay interest, when it falls due, instead of paying a lump sum of \$100 each year. Either way, the tribulation would amount to only \$1000.

The school board ask the council help pay salaries of playground attendants but no action was taken on this matter.

Recil Wallace, Frisco, addition property owner, asked the council to open streets and alleys in that town. In order to do this it is needed the city would have to pay

in the area for a street improvement matter was turned over to the street department for investigation. J. P. O'Neal, asked for and was granted permission to construct parking spaces at the old cheese factory property at Fifth and Main. build the parking space would consist of lowering the curb at the street.

J. P. Fuller asked the city to extend an electrical line from the Over Springs and Highway No. 1 road. C. O. Thomas was instructed to make a survey of the area.

Byd McMath, representing the library board, explained the general plans of the Hemphill County library when it enters its new home. He said the library would operate on the same basis as before. The council heard a report concerning the pump at the new well. Municipal attorney John Underhill said it would not work. It was ordered taken out and investigated and if it can be made to operate at another one, it is to be purchased. A committee was named to investigate Chamberlain's charges of operating the fast track.

**ORIGIN UNKNOWN**

The Christmas tree, as we know it today, came to us from Germany, many, but contrary to the usual Christmas legends, we do not know its actual origin.